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What started as an overwhelming sense of underachievement, some beer, and a common goal, has somehow survived 15 months of hostile terrain and poor growing conditions.

Hard to believe our collective randomness has been able to materialize 12 (well, 11.5) issues, an independent underground record label, a 9 band show with spoken word, and an unrelated free distro.

Ever onwards, ever downwards, as we continue along more and more avenues, providing vents for the unheard/unnoticed/unrecognized writer/artist/musician - punching holes in walls - with the belief that our evolution will surface through the victims of society, due to the constant pressure and urgency of adapting to consequences of a leeching and encroaching environment.

This is necessary, and it is necessity alone that drives us.

So, what's next for OD? Our first compilation cd is in it's second printing and will total over 700 discs, with work beginning shortly on the next. Pickled Whale Meat, our own record label and distro, in charge of releasing the cd, is branching outwards, with a mixtape in the works, while

providing a cheap alternative to manufacturing and distributing underground music.

More shows are slated for the future, featuring past and future compilation artists among others, and the idea is being tossed around of a D.I.Y. info space/underground store /venue being available for gigs, jam space, workshops, etc.

Also the new format of the zine itself - it had to be done, and we don't feel it needs any justification.

So in lieu of all this, we have adapted the new mind-frame of a "collective", a group of like-minds venturing forwards under all and any medium accessible, in an attempt to organize, understand, and alter this reality in which we live. A commonality amongst individuals, and an acceptance of a unique equality.

Therefore in the manner of expanding and evolving - as well as recent updates in world politics - we loosely base this issue around Globalization.

And as always, any comments, suggestions, submissions, rants, or random combinations of consonants and vowels, are always welcome.

There's a lot of evidence growing around the existence of a global consciousness. Based on this growing field, The Global Consciousness Project (GCP) was established, as an international effort involving researchers from several institutions and countries. and designed to explore whether the construct of interconnected consciousness has been scientifically validated through objective measurement. The project builds on excellent experiments conducted over the past 35 years at a number of laboratories. demonstrating that human consciousness interacts with random event generators (REGs), apparently "causing" them to produce non-random patterns. This is the scientific documentation of a mass consciousness ability, which has been demonstrated by measuring the levels of global consciousness during moments of widespread distress (ie. 9/11, Death of Princess Diana, etc.) using these REGS. Outside of the laboratory. the affects of harnessing the potential of this global energy can be observed through the experiments conducted on Coast To Coast AM, a popular radio show, hosted by Art Bell, and George Noory: In the summer in 1998, both Florida and Texas were suffering from extreme drought, One night Art got all of his radio listeners to collectively imagine rain in Florida, where forest and brush fires were raging out of control. The next day it rained in Florida. Art was astounded to think that his experiment may have worked. Just in case it was a coincidence. however, he decided to try the experiment again. A few nights later he had his listeners think collectively of rain for Texas, And sure enough, the next day it rained in Texas, Coast to Coast listeners may have also helped to blunt the force of Hurricane Isabel. George had asked people to concentrate on lessening the impact of Isabel, and while many were without power, and heavy winds and rains battered the East Coast, the hurricane was downgraded to "tropical storm" status, without scientific explanation as to why. Yet another example, was the request for the audience to visualize a resolution to the Washington "Sniper Crisis," such that the situation would be resolved quickly and no one else would be hurt. The two suspects were arrested in the early morning hours immediately following the broadcast, and no one was injured in the capture. There were nine or ten such experiments conducted with the radio audience - which numbers in the millions - all of which showed noticeable results. It's things like this which help broaden the silver lining of this blackened cloud that looms heavy with war, and famine, and disease, and oppression. And if we can merely focus our collective energy on the positive aspects - without being naive to the problems - we just might be able to subtly change things for the better. What harm could it do to think positive?

#### Q: What is Globalization anyway?

Globalization is an all encompassing term for a diverse system of social, technological, economic, and political changes that lead to greater interdependence and interaction between people and companies in even the most isolated locations. the term itself can be used in both a positive and negative context. The positive definition of globalization would most often be used by corporations to describe economic and socially positive change. This view seeks to use economic prosperity as an engine to bring about social change. The opposing side of this term is seen as an economically, socially, culturally and environmentally negative phenomenon. This negative term would most often be used by the worlds poor, environmentalists, and those who are at the front lines of the ill effects of this "global glue".

### Q: What's the difference between free trade and fair trade?

Fair trade is the trade of international goods and services in the name of environmental, economic and social sustainabilty. It is a movement that seeks to reimburse farmers and workers in a fair and just fashion. Free trade seeks to do the opposite by eliminating accountability, and doing business without the 'inconvienience' of having to recognize government imposed tarrifs and trade barriers.

#### Q: What is the WTO?

The World Trade Organization (WTO) was established in 1995. As an agency for global commerce it's first order of business was to transform the GATT (General Agreement of Tariffs and Trades) into an enforcable global commerce code. The WTO was the corporate machine in the name of globalization. Corporate profits are allowed to dominate other values, economic desisions are made by the private sector while the social and environmental costs are borne by the public. The WTO is an undemocratic, untransparent, nonaccountable agency that has maginalized the magority of the worlds people.

The Kardashev scale is a general method of classifying how technologically advanced a civilization is. First proposed in 1964 by the Russian astronomer Nikolai Kardashev. It has three categories, Type 1,2, and 3, based on the amount of usable energy a civilization has at its disposal, and increasing logarithmically:

Type I, is a planetary civilization. Anything planetary is completely within their control. They can control the weather, control DNA, integrate organics with mechanics, colonize neighbouring planets, etc. and they receive their energy from the center of the earth.

Type 2, is a civilization capable of harnessing the energy of a star, manipulating the fabric of space, and have achieved immortality, due to an absolute knowledge of life itself. Type 2 civilizations receive their energy from stars themselves.

and Type 3, which is capable of harnessing the energy of an entire galaxy, are god-like, put simply.

We, are Type Zero, our energy source is dead plants and organic matter...struggling to reach a point where we are able to harness the capacity of global energy, due to the current state of fossil fuels.

Michio Kaku, a theoretical physicist, states that the hardest leap for a civilization to make is from a Zero to a 1, and that we are quickly approaching that transitional point.

There is the potential of a Malthusian catastrophe, amongst the transition, if over-population occurs (which is suggested by some to be the reason for the transition) and agricultural and economic growth - supply and demand - cannot adapt properly. But the real problems lie within element 92 - uranium - because it is a matter of energy.

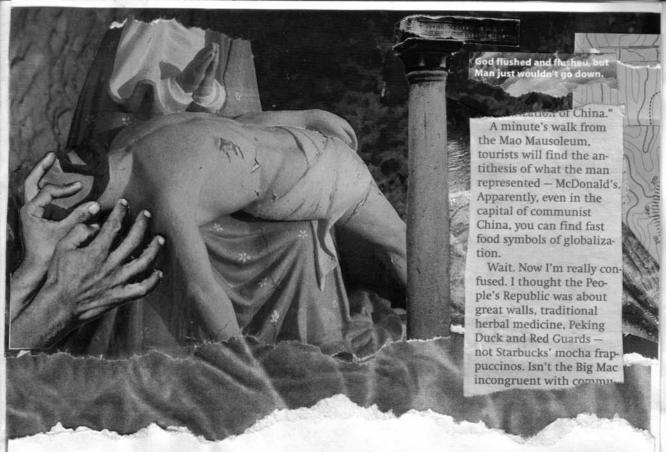
According to M.Kaku, whichever path - positive or negative - uranium research and usage follows more prominently, will be the among the main factors to our fate, along with other variables, that carry with them equal positives and negatives, depending on usage. (DNA, nanotechnology, etc.) A tool is simply a tool, until it is designated a purpose.

We must be able to harness rather than pollute, but this seems like an illogical goal with borders, and alliances, and foes. How can we possibly begin to harness global energy with lines carved across the globe? A successful transition would have to involve a successful globalization. A successful globalization, meaning a positive unity of humankind, for the purpose of survival, working together towards scientific advancement as a species, rather than total victory of one region globally, with constant limiting of the advancement of others. Needless to say, military budgets write a bleak future.

From our current state we are (possibly) within 200 years away from achieving Type 1 status, 2000 away from Type 2 and 100,000 away from Type 3 (according to M.Kakus interpretation of the scale),

"We're being tested, we're at that juncture... the generation of humans now alive is the most important generation of humans that have ever walked the earth. they are the only generation to have the power within it to harness element 92 - uranium - and (control) pollution. and this is the coming of age of any Type Zero civilization...but very few Type Zeros have actually made it to Type 1."

Michio Kaku



"If the world that we are forced to accept is false and nothing is true, then everything is possible. On the way to discovering what we love, we will find everything we hate, everything that blocks our path to what we desire. comfort will never be comfortable for those who seek what is not on the market. A systematic questioning of the idea of happiness. We'll cut the vocal chords of every empowered speaker. We'll yank the social symbols through the looking glass. We'll devalue society's currency. To confront the familiar. Society is a fraud so complete and venal that it demands to be destroyed beyond the power of memory to recall its existence. Where there's fire, we will carry gasoline. Interrupt the continuum of everyday experience and all the normal expectations that go with it. To live as if something actually depended on one's actions. To rupture the spell of the ideology of the commodified consumer society so that our oppressed desires of a more authentic nature can come forward. To demonstrate the contrast between what life presently is and what it could be. To immerse ourselves in the oblivion of actions and know we're making it happen. There will be an intensity never before known in everyday life to exchange love and hate, life and death, terror and redemption, repulsions and attractions. An affirmation of freedom so reckless and unqualified, that it amounts to a total denial of every kind of restraint and limitation.'

From Waking Life

i'm drinking a growers gala apple/strawberry citer i bought a six-pack of them with some noney my room-mate devon lent me, and now we're drinking on the footbridge at the end of nanaimo st. in east van. my cider was bright pink, and it tasted like juice my pink, pussy trink, i comment, no shame, says devon. we watched the fireworks and talked tevon's my first new friend since i moved to vancouver for a town with so many punx, anarchists, and other rabblerousers, i've found it surprisingly hard to make anything more innumerable acquaintances, not that everyone in the scene has to be best friends or anything, but still... ne grew up in hammond, i'm from maple ridge (kinda), "it's a different mentality from a big city. "that's true," i say, "but i still bon't understand it. "that's what i'm saying: we can't understand it." "oh," maybe it was the citer, but i was confused. everyone i've met who lives here lived here for at least three afour years before they made any friends, they't bitch and hate it, but they'd stay here, and be fine after a few years." got no friends? Find three years than in a town where you've LEAVING THE JUNGLE. ONLY TO ENTER ANOTHER ONE.

# A LESSON IN THE BRIEF HISTORY OF TIME The following is an excersise designed for teachers in an attempt to put time into perspective for students:

In September, start out by creating a calander that represents the history of the earth. This calander can be a chart or diagram which extends around the room. Illustrate events, starting with the beginning of the universe. Around early October, stars form. little will change in this corner of the universe until early April, when the solar system appears. In late April, life appears on Earth. Towards the end of May, land animals exist. Dinosaures will appear by mid-June but are extinct before the end of the month. By the afternoon of the last day of june, Man's ancestors walk upright. The age of science and technology will last only as long as the time it takes to ring thre final school bell of the year.

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I was making lists. Because lists are neat and organized and line up nicely. Anyway, to be specific, I was making a hot/not list. Y'know, the kind that you find in fashionable magazines which tell you what is and isn't fashionable. Except I was trying to make hot/not lists of things like 'Bloodsucking Soulless Corporations I thought I was being delightfully ironic and amused myself to no end. Writing the actual list of corporations seemed to start off well. as I quickly accumulated a dozen hundred companies for the Not list. But I ran dry on the Hot list after Apple and Nintendo. Hesitantly I added Puma, but it still wasn't enough to really balance the sides. I also made a hot/not list of 'Terrorist Organizations'. This proved even harder. Starting confidently I quickly added Greenpeace under hot and Al Quaeda under not. Then, tentatively I added The American Military under not. Then I ran out of terrorist organizations.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR LIFE?

Are you so busy working working working, running running running, seeing seeing seeing, that you've forgotten the lovely art of just being, at home. And is your home beginning to forget its role as your nest. Things outside the home seem to be getting more attention. Funny how we've succeeded in putting a dog into space, yet still struggle to find a way to take care of muddy paws at home. Why is that? Real life is actually something that's happening right here, right now. True quality of life isn't really about the universe and its stars, but rather your world called home. So let us together create a home that helps you calm your life down. It's time to start living in the true world. At home.



I work at a job where, most other places, automated systems perform my duties, and this is a plea to the customer. Please. Please accept into your lifestyle that Shit Happens. Life isn't perfect, no matter how hard you try to make it perfect, and sometimes things happen and it's nobody's fault. It just happens. By adhering to this simple rule, and taking time to consider it when something spontaneously doesn't go your way within an establishment you could possibly save a humans job.

Case in point. A customer at the car wash i work for came back complaining that we dented his car the last time he had

come through. Nearly a week earlier.

He said that he noticed the dent, and remembered hearing a bang while we were washing his windows with the brush. He therefore assumed we must have been the ones responsible, despite the fact that there was nearly a week's worth of time in which the incident could have occurred, by anyone, anywhere.

"Well, what am i going to do? someone has to pay for it." Sorry about your luck buddy, Shit Happens.

But remember, shit happens to everyone. All the time. No one is immune to inconveniences and problems. So please, remember that you are a rellow human the next time you're blaming some trainee on an inconsistent tedium.

Because when they're all robots and machines, you will be the only one at rault, ever, because of the errors imposed

on our fellow humans through the abuse. No trial, no judge, no jury and no eager to please "customer's always right"er running to your side to reassure you you're perfect.

Dear Sataria
My brother says your just a
tool used to scare the weakt stupid
into being good. Like Santa
Xour faithful servant.
Brian

there is intelligent life on other planets with technology greater than ours. This has tremendous ramifications in terms of society, technology, weaponry, religion, economics et al. Then, the 60-year cover-up suggests the existence of a shadow government that continues in power from administration to administration. Otherwise, how could the ongoing fraud be perpetrated so expertly? This, in turn, means that our democracy is an illusion, and that we really live in some sort of oligarchy. Then, it means that we have most certainly gained extraordinary knowledge about our place in the universe that has not been shared with the public and that could possibly revolutionize our life here on earth. Very possibly this knowledge could solve all our energy problems. And very possibly we now have the ability to travel to other star systems ourselves, which opens up vast vistas for the human These are all colossal develor all hinge on the reality of

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the whole not knowing anyone or having huge ties with vancouver has been making me wanna hit the road. me and my apollo road bike us. whatever but that's gotta wait til next summer in the meantime, i've been pretending to be a vagrant when I'm biking around thou smoking alone whereever there's enough grass to sit on, scrummaging in the garbages to grab a snack in front of businessmen, and of course, endless biking. the best part is just how completely self-sufficient and self-sependent the mind-set is. you to not need any outside entity, corporate or otherwise for anything.

"what strain's this?" i ask as i toke. "gold cush," and answers it hitsme and i not approvingly and pass itback over to him. It is what's new?" asks. toke. "so what's new?" asks. toke. "not nuch man just... i don't know, i really wanna get outla here. travelling's been on my mind a lot. i wanna go on a biking/hitching/train-hopping trip." toke. "ha ha, a couple of old buddies of nine went acros canada like that.

they hated it and gave up halfway through or something." toke.

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WERE THE MIDDLE CHILDREN OF HISTORY, MAN, NO PURPOSE OR PLACE. WE HAVE NO GREAT WAR, NO GREAT WAR, NO GREAT WAR; OLIR GREAT WAR IS A SPIRITLIAL WAR; OLIR LIVES, WE'VE ALL BEEN RAISED ON TELEVISION TO BELIEVE THAT ONE DAY WE'D ALL BE MILIONAIRES AND MOVIE GODS AND ROCK STARS, BUT WE WONT, AND WE'RE SLOWLY LEARNING THAT FACT, AND WE'RE VERY, VERY PISSED OFF.

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FOR THE FIRST TIME IN ITALIAN HISTORY, LEGAL CITIZENS LIVING ABROAD VOTED IN THE ITALIAN ELECTION FOR 12 DEPUTIES AND 6 SENATORS WHO WILL REPRESENT THEM IN THE ITALIAN PARLIAMENT, AN UNUSUAL SYSTEM THAT WAS SUPPORTED BY SILVIO BERLUSCONI AND PROMOTED BY TREMAGLIA. THE CHANGE IS THE RESULT OF A THIRTY-YEAR STRUGGLE TO RECOGNIZE THE RIGHTS AND SPECIAL INTERESTS OF ITALIANS WHO HAVE MIGRATED ABROAD BUT RETAIN THEIR ITALIAN IDENTITY. THE PARLIAMENTARY SEATS ARE ORGANIZED INTO FOUR CONSTITUENCIES (EUROF NORTH & CENTRAL AMERICA, LATIN AMERICA, AND AFRICA/ASIA/OCEANIZELECTED CANDIDATES MUST LIVE IN THEIR RESPECTIVE CONSTITUENCIES.

"Yeah, like I was saying, after not eating for three weeks - like - basically, to describe for the first week. Ummm, usually about the first few days are not that bad, when like - you just haven't had food - you just, it's when you're not thinking about anything else and not doing anything else you're like, 'Uggh, I could really use some food right now.', right? And usually what you'll do is you'll just naturally find something else to do and you'll just distract yourself. That's for about, up to day four. Day five it gets a little bit worse where it's just - it's more consistent - where you need the food, you need to feel it in your stomach, like, your stomach will start growling, and so yeah, every couple of hours," Ugggh, I could use some food. Uggghh I could use some food."

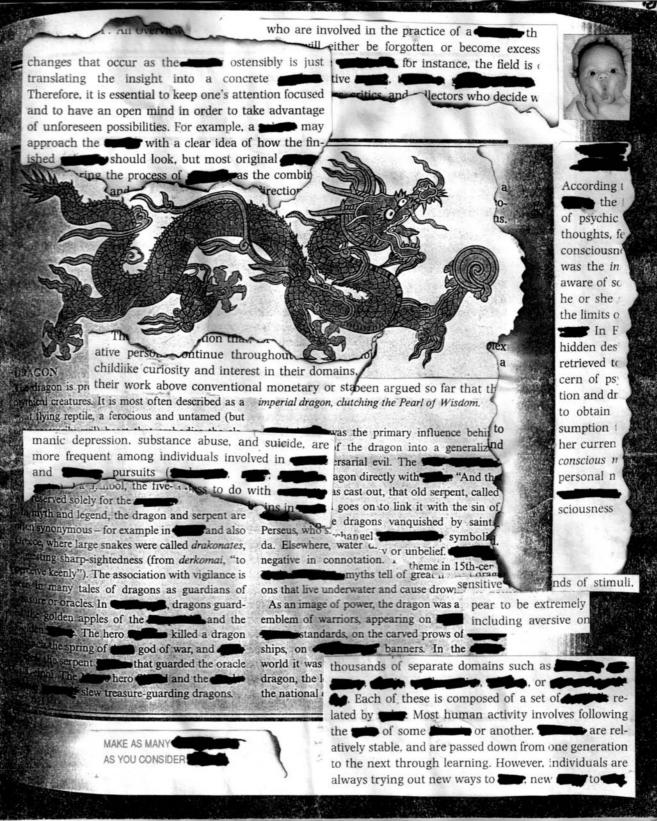


"Day six you get to a point where you physically need to distract yourself so that you don't feel the need for food, and it actually feels like the pain's gone away because you're just that distracted. And then day seven kicks in - you know - and every 20 minutes literally, if you're lucky, you'll be having a conversation with somebody and then all of a sudden it's like, 'Oh, my god, it feels like my stomach just collapsed.' And that actually, literally that's what your stomach does. Because it hasn't had food it keeps shrinking, and keeps shrinking, and eventually it will just fold up. Into nothing.

"So yeah, after the seventh day it's just gotten to a point where your body just starts taking nutrients from your muscle tissue, and starts stripping the fat and the muscle tissue off and that's usually how you get thinner, and thinner, and thinner, and you waste away.

But, what's funny though, is that when it comes to the people that fast, and uh, it's shit being able to think for those first seven days, but then you're able to think better and clearer after that seventh day. . ."

Word On The Street With Ender



PLEASE DETACH DÉTACHEZ S'IL VOUS PLAIT here is a theory which states, that if ever anyone discovers exactly what the Universe tor, and why it is here, it will instantly disappear be replated by some thing ever more Bizarre and nexplicable. There is another theory which this has already Hitchikers Guide Galaxy



Once upon a time there was a rock. Animals hid behind it. The years went by and the rock eroded away into sand and particles. The animals died. All things come to an end some time or another. The end can be prolonged, but once everything around you is done, there's nothing left to prolong with. At that point there will be nothing. There is no new beginning which somehow emerges from nothingness.

Everything ends.

From there to here from here to there, funny things are everywhere. Seuss BORTHE ANGRYF LOWE R THE AIR PEELS THERE'S HOPE IN EVERY HELLO? I HATE YOU! T'LL ADMIT IT-I DIDNT THINK THINGS WOULD BE BETTER WIEN FRESHER! PEOPLE FEEL I'M GONNA NUCLEAR EVERYONE HAD NUCLEAR WEAPONS. FACE! WEAPON? SAFE. BUT I WAS The Golden New Age PUNCTUATED BY THE ODD NOCLEAR EXPLOSIED. I FEEL A SWEET SEE? ALDROOM CAN PO BEAUTIFUL! THOUSAND YEARS SURE. ANYTHING TO ANYONE! OF PEACE TOTAL DETERMENCE! COMING ON ... PEOPLE ARE STILL GETTING